# Utah Children's Justice Symposium/ Utah Prosecution Council Domestic Violence Conference

2014

# 2014 Symposium Agenda

## **Tuesday, May 13, 2014**

10:30 am - 6:00 pm

#### Registration and Information

Symposium Registration Table, 2nd Level Main Conference Center

**General Session** 

12:00 Noon – 2:00 pm Bernese Exhibit Hall **Announcements** Tracey Tabet, Utah Children's Justice Center Program

Welcome and Opening Remarks Sean D. Reyes

**Utah Attorney General** 

Introduction of UPC Director

**Robert Church** 

Keynote The Power of One... Overcoming Abuse

Preston Jensen

Preston Jensen was sexually abused by his best friend's stepfather from the age of 8 to the age of 13. To protect himself as well as his family, Preston kept the abuse to himself for many years before his terrifying memories manifested themselves as seizures. More than 20 years after the abuse, with the help of an incredible detective and an outstanding deputy district attorney, charges were filed and Preston began his road to healing. Preston tells his story of survival, transforming from victim to SURVIVOR.

2:00 pm - 2:15 pm

Break

#### 2:15 pm - 3:45 pm Breakout Session 1

 Preston Jensen, Paula Jensen and Det. Scott Russell

Bernese Exhibit Hall

Working Cold Case Sex Offenses: Pitfalls and Successes

Preston Jensen, Det. Scott Russell and Paula Jensen (Preston's mother) will share their experiences of navigating the criminal justice system as they worked to investigate and bring justice to a 20-year old case of sexual abuse. Using examples from Preston's case, the victim, his mother and the case detective will discuss the ups and downs, the complications and victories, and the sometimes unexpected process of bringing a cold case to trial.

2) Donna Kelly

Matterhorn Ballroom

Trauma Informed Response - Part 1

Trauma affects the way we experience, remember and relate events. This session will focus on the phenomenal new research on the neurobiology of trauma and its implications for all aspects of the criminal justice system. Do you know the difference between lying and the effects of trauma? Attend this session to find out!

3) Chris Gideon

Davos

From Bullying to Battering: The Commonalities Between Bullying and Domestic Violence

This session will address the problem of bullying in several environments, including school, the workplace, and the home. The presenter will help participants recognize who is likely to be bullied and how to empower children to deal with bullying without resorting to violence. Additionally, the presentation will focus on the connection between

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bullying and battering and the potential progression of that cycle from childhood to adulthood. The session will also discuss education and prevention strategies related to bullying and domestic violence. (Repeated in BO2)

### Mike Berg and Mike Bleak

Grindelwald

#### The Choking Game: Accident or Suicide and the Investigative Process

What is The Choking Game? How do we effectively investigate these calls? Is there a difference between an accidental death by hanging and suicide? In this presentation, we will help to answer these questions. We will present three case studies of choking game deaths and provide some clues for investigative purposes. If you are in a profession that deals with adolescents who may have any risk factors at all, you should attend. Defining what these risk factors are and learning what clues to look for can save a life. (Repeated in BO2)

#### Karen Hansen, MD

Interlaken

#### Caregiver Fabricated Illness in Children: The New Munchausen Syndrome by Proxy

This workshop will include basic information about the entity originally known as Munchausen Syndrome by Proxy. We will cover the evolution in definitions and in medical thinking in this area, present cases that illustrate typical problems that may be encountered, and go over the medical approach to the diagnosis of Caregiver Fabricated Illness. There will be time for questions and discussion as the workshop progresses.

#### Utah State Crime Lab -Rebekah Kay

St. Moritz

#### Evidence Collection / Corroboration

In this session, Rebekah Kay from the Utah Bureau of Forensic Services will introduce participants to the Utah State Crime Lab. She will include in-depth information related to evidence collection, the importance of corroboration, how to improve investigations by knowing what to look for, and the progress in evidence analysis. The session will use case examples to illustrate concepts and issues related to the many facets of the cases handled in the lab. (Repeated in BO2)

#### Sariah Donnahoo

Neuchatel

#### Female Sex Offenders: The Collective Denial

This presentation offers an in-depth examination of the social construction of sexuality and how it may alter our perceptions of the capability of a female to sexually abuse a child. The presenter will discuss the experiences of victims of female sex offenders and of the sex offenders themselves. She will present differences in testing and treatment options for female vs. male sex offenders. (Repeated in BO2)

3:45 pm - 4:00 pm

Break

#### 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

#### **Breakout Session 2**

#### Peter Leavitt and Rob Neill

Bernese Exhibit Hall

#### You've Got to Know When to Hold 'Em and Know When to Fold 'Em

This session will use a case study as the basis for discussing many of the competing interests and difficult decisions that prosecutors must consider when negotiating plea agreements in serious sexual abuse cases.

#### **Donna Kelly** and Justin Boardman

Matterhorn Ballroom

#### Trauma Informed Response – Part 2 (Skill-Based Session)

Using the new research about the way trauma affects victims, West Valley City Police and the Utah Prosecution Council have developed a Trauma Informed Victim Interview (TIVI) protocol that was recently implemented in West Valley City for sexual assault cases. Come and learn the nuts and bolts of how to implement new, improved trauma-informed protocols in your agency.

#### 3) **Chris Gideon** Davos

Mike Berg and Mike Bleak

#### From Bullying to Battering: The Commonalities Between Bullying and Domestic Violence

(Repeat – See Session Description in BO1)

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The Choking Game: Accident or Suicide and the Investigative Process (Repeat – See Session Description in BO1)

#### Julie Brand

Interlaken

#### A Close-Up Look at Female Offenders in "Positions of Trust"

We have been slow to acknowledge that some women, working in "positions of trust," sexually abuse children. This workshop examines recent cases of female teachers found guilty of child sexual abuse. It explores the dynamics of their teacher-student relationships and looks at ways that the gender of the perpetrator impacts disclosure, reporting. arrests, public response, prosecution and sentencing. An interview with a convicted female sex offender (conducted Oct. 2011) offers unique insights into the phenomenon of teacher-adolescent sexual abuse. Participants will learn proactive strategies for possible prevention and earlier intervention.

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#### Evidence Collection / Corroboration

(Repeat - See Session Description in BO1)

#### Sariah Donnahoo

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#### Female Sex Offenders: The Collective Denial

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5:30 pm - 6:15 pm

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State Advisory Board on Children's Justice

May 2014 Board Meeting

(Room located on 1st floor of Conference Center)

# Wednesday, May 14, 2014

6:30 am - 8:15 am

Matterhorn Ballroom

Breakfast

(Provided for registered Symposium Participants and guests with tickets)

7:30 am - 5:30 pm

**Registration and Information** 

Symposium Registration Table, 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Main Conference Center

8:30 am – 10:15 am Bernese Exhibit Hall **Announcements** Maril

Marilyn Jasperson, Utah Prosecution Council Training Coordinator

**Keynote** 

"Hey Doc, Does the Parent's Story Really Explain this Child's Injury?": Mechanisms of Injury in Childhood

James Anderst, MD

Using sophisticated animation scenarios, this presentation will review various childhood injuries that may raise questions related to the actual cause of the injury – is it an accidental injury or the result of physical abuse. Both accidental and inflicted mechanisms of injuries will be discussed and displayed, including head injuries, fractures, and abdominal injuries. A better understanding of how specific child injuries occur will allow attendees to perform more effective caregiver interviews, and more efficiently collaborate with medical-forensic specialists.

#### **Award Ceremony**

Utah's Attorney General's Children's Justice Center MDT Award

Lifetime Achievment Awards

Rocky Rognlie Memorial Training Scholarship Awards

10:15 am - 10:30 am

Break

#### 10:30 am – 12:00 noon

#### **Breakout Session 3**

1) James Anderst

Julie Brand

Matterhorn Ballroom

Bernese Exhibit Hall

Evidence-based or Evidence-biased? How Science Is (Mis)applied to Medical Evaluations for

Child Abuse?

Scientific evidence for the diagnosis of child abuse is often discussed in cases of suspected abuse and in the courtroom. This session will review how medical science can be misapplied in child abuse cases. Additionally, "grades" of scientific evidence will be reviewed, along with concrete examples from the medical literature on child abuse.

The Best-Kept Secret: Mother / Daughter Sexual Abuse

Mother-daughter sexual abuse is especially under-recognized, under-researched and under-reported. This workshop describes the complex mother-daughter incestuous relationship – the subtle, yet intentional violations of normal mother-child boundaries, covert and overt abuse and the psychological manipulations used to silence victims. Attendees will learn ways to include mothers as potential perpetrators in prevention programs and in sexual abuse investigations. Six key therapeutic issues for recovery will be identified. Ms. Brand is both an experienced counselor and a resilient survivor of maternal sexual abuse.

3) Judy Hull and Jacci Graham
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Dorothy, You're Not in Kansas Anymore: A Kinship Care Family Journey

This session will present information related to kinship care services, including issues surrounding kinship care and issues related both to the children receiving care and to the caregivers themselves. It will identify resources necessary to be a kinship caregiver and will distinguish between the services provided through Utah's Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) and those offered through programs such as *Grandfamilies*.

(Repeated in BO5)

4) Kristine Campbell, MD
Grindelwald

The Other Children: What We Know About Siblings of Children Who Have Been Physically Abused Children sharing a home with a child who is the alleged victim of physical abuse share the risk of also being abused. If professionals responding to and investigating this suspected abuse are not aware of such potential risks, these other children may be overlooked and their abuse left undiscovered. This presentation will review the current evidence related to the potential risks of other children in a home where child abuse is suspected. It will

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propose changes that may improve our current response to these children, helping to insure that the physical and/or emotional injuries present at the time of the investigation won't be missed and risk for future harm underestimated.

# 5) Greg Ferbrache and Leo Lucev

Interlaken

#### Aggravated Human Trafficking Involving a Child: A Case Study and a Focus on Best Practice - Part 1

This presentation will focus on an eight month investigation involving one (1) target defendant, multiple cooperating witnesses, three locations, and multiple jurisdictions. It will highlight the prosecution that led to the defendant being sentenced to life imprisonment for Aggravated Human Trafficking Involving a Child. Each phase of the process will be broken down in detail to 1) focus on developing best practices for this type of case and 2) identify the lessons learned for investigators, victim advocates, and prosecutors. (Part 2 in BO4, Part 3 in BO5)

#### 6) Justin Boardman

St. Moritz

#### Shedding New Light on an Old Technology

This session will focus on the use of alternative light source photography as a new high-tech tool to improve the documentation of injuries in sexual assault and domestic violence cases. Use of this photography will be demonstrated and actual photographs from real domestic violence cases will be shown.

# 7) Jerry Buie, Kevin Stayner, and Gita Mehrotra

Neuchatel

#### Improving the Criminal Justice System Response in LGTBQ Cases

This presentation will focus on improving the LGBTQ cultural competency and sensitivity of all criminal justice professionals and on improving the response of the criminal justice system in these cases from investigation through prosecution and treatment. Presenters from across Utah's criminal justice system will discuss their roles as well as the need for open cooperation, communication and collaboration.

### 12:00 noon – 1:15 pm

Bernese Exhibit Hall

#### **Lunch** (Outside the Bernese Exhibit Hall – Weather Permitting)

(Provided for registered Symposium Participants and guests with tickets)

#### 1:15 pm - 2:00 pm

Bernese Exhibit Hall

# Keynote Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse

### **Christopher Anderson**

Our culture has historically overlooked and marginalized male survivors of sexual abuse. In this presentation, Executive Director of MaleSurvivor, Christopher Anderson, will give an overview of the scale of the problem of sexual abuse in our society overall, and speak about the shockingly high level of male sexual abuse that exists. He will share some of the unique challenges male survivors face that make disclosure and healing very challenging, and will discuss best practices for supporting male victims.

#### 2:15 pm - 3:45 pm

#### **Breakout Session 4**

# ) Matthew Long and Chris Pérez

Bernese Exhibit Hall

#### Money, Power, Religion and Sex: The Susan Brock Case - Part 1

Susan Brock was the 49 year old wife of the influential Arizona Maricopa County Supervisor, Fulton Brock. She began grooming her male victim when he was just 11 years old. The abuse continued until he was 17. The molestation was discovered after the boy's girlfriend found sexually explicit texts from Susan on his Ipod. Susan coerced him to lie to his parents and to meet her in exchange for money and gifts. During the investigation, it was discovered that Brock's adult daughter had also molested the boy. Both Susan and her daughter were arrested and charged with sexual molestation. The case was moved to Pinal County, AZ to avoid potential conflict of interest. Detectives learned that a year *prior* to the investigation, Fulton Brock and the family's LDS Church officials were well aware of concerns voiced by the victim's parents regarding Susan's relationship with their son. Yet Susan Brock continued to enmesh herself in the boy's life both at church and school. Even after Susan was admonished to stay away from the boy, she continued to meet with him, showering him with religious relics, toys, paintball guns, money and electronics as a way to maintain communication and control. Attendees will examine evidence, police and media reports, as well as audio and video recordings of interviews. They will learn the manipulative techniques employed by Susan Brock to dupe her victim, his family and members of their church so that she could continue to have access to the minor. Additionally, the case agent and the prosecutor will share the effective investigatory tools they used to successfully win in the courtroom. (Part 2 in BO5)

# Kristen Howell Matterhorn Ballroom

#### Getting Her from "Going" to "Gone"

Advocates, first responders, investigators and prosecutors are routinely frustrated by a battered woman's difficulty terminating her abusive relationship. This session will provide specific examples, together with actual "scripts" (word-choice examples) that law enforcement and advocates can use to get a battered woman from 'going' to 'gone.' Participants will examine ways to facilitate and prepare a woman for a safe outcome and ultimately ways to end the abuse.

#### 3) Gary Scheller

Davos

#### Utah Office for Victims of Crime: Funding, Legislation, VINE and the 5-Year Plan

Gary Scheller will provide an overview of how this year's legislation will affect crime victims and the service providers who assist these victims. He will discuss the 20% decrease in the UOVC budget and how that 20% was restored. Gary will also provide an overview of his 5-year plan for the Utah Office for Victims of Crime, discussing the potential effects on victims and service providers. As there have also been some changes to and rumors about the Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE) Program, Gary will also address this issue.

#### 4) Christopher Anderson

Grindelwald

#### 10 Things You Should Know About Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse

Although boys and men are victims of sexual violence in staggering numbers, male survivors slip through the cracks far too often. On average, it takes a male survivor 20 years to disclose being abused, and when they do there is a drastic lack of resources available for male survivors in many communities. This presentation gives an survivor's perspective of the unique challenges male survivors face, the harmful myths that discourage both boys and men from coming forward, and presents some best practices, developed by MaleSurvivor affiliate clinicians and social workers who have worked with thousands of male survivors in the past.

# 5) Greg Ferbrache and Leo Lucey

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Aggravated Human Trafficking Involving a Child: A Case Study and a Focus on Best Practice – Part 2

(Part 3 in BO5 – See Session Description in BO3)

### 6) SL County CJC

St. Moritz

#### NICHD Based First Responder Training for CPS and Law Enforcement

(information to follow)

#### 7) Beth Haggett

Neuchatel

#### The Benefits of Mind/Body Medicine to Address the Trauma of Sexual Abuse

This 90-minute breakout session will address ways in which Mind/Body Medicine can help with issues related to sympathetic hyper arousal, the *fight-flight-freeze* response and chronic stress response that often occur in those who have been sexually abused. Participants will experience several mind/body skills they can use personally and easily teach to others which can help to bring attention to the present moment, trigger a relaxation response in the Autonomic Nervous System (ANS), and promote healing in mind, body and spirit. (Repeated in BO5)

3:45 pm - 4:00 pm

Break

#### 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

#### **Breakout Session 5**

# 1) Matthew Long and Chris Pérez

Bernese Exhibit Hall

Money, Power, Religion and Sex: The Susan Brock Case - Part 2

(See Session Description in BO4)

#### 2) Kristen Howell

Matterhorn Ballroom

#### Domestic Violence: The Impact of Violence on Kids

Toxic stress is a term used with increased frequency when discussing the impact of witnessing domestic violence. Toxic stress impairs a child's ability to attach, to learn, and to have social emotional health. This course will provide an easy understanding of the impact of living with long-term violence and will help law enforcement, therapists, and advocates recognize how to decrease the toxic stressors that stand in the way of a child's success. (Repeated in BO6 – Thursday)

## 3) Judy Hull and Jacci Graham

Dorothy, You're Not in Kansas Anymore: A Kinship Care Family Journey (Repeat -- See Session Description in BO3)

#### 4) Christopher Anderson

Grindelwald

#### 10 Things Partners of Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse Should Know

Sexually abused men can have great difficulty with intimacy issues. Often this stems from feelings of shame, fear, and difficulty in trusting others that develop in the aftermath of the abuse, especially when the abuser(s) gained their victim's trust through the grooming process. This workshop will inform spouses and partners about some of the challenges survivors face when communicating with their loved ones. Oftentimes survivors are unaware of these challenges themselves. This lack of self-awareness can prevent the survivor from communicating his needs to loved ones, and can leave partners feeling unsure if their attempts to help and support their survivor partners are helping or hurting. The lack of understanding, trust, and communication can often create turmoil and difficulty in maintaining a healthy relationship.

# 5) Greg Ferbrache and Leo Lucey Interlaken

Aggravated Human Trafficking Involving a Child: A Case Study and a Focus on Best Practice – Part 3 (See Session Description in BO3)

### 6) Beth Haggett

Neuchatel

The Benefits of Mind/Body Medicine to Address the Trauma of Sexual Abuse

(Repeat – See Session Description in BO4)

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### **Thursday, May 15, 2014**

6:30 am – 8:15 am Matterhorn Ballroom **Breakfast** 

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7:30 am - 1:00 pm

**Registration and Information** 

Symposium Registration Table, 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Main Conference Center

8:30 am – 10:30 am Bernese Exhibit Hall

Welcome and Opening Remarks

**Spencer Austin** 

Marilyn Jasperson, Utah Prosecution Council Training Coordinator

Chief Criminal Deputy, Utah AG's Office

**Keynote** 

**Announcements** 

But You Seem So Normal: What We ALL Can Learn From Resilient Survivors of Childhood Abuse

Julie Brand

In the United States, a staggering number of children experience physical, sexual and emotional abuse. To address the problem of child maltreatment, we must first *acknowledge* how pervasive it is. Next, we must *believe* that victims can heal and recover. We then must *learn* strategies from the many survivors who have overcome their traumas. Finally, we must *teach* those survivors' skills to other abuse victims so they, too, can lead healthy, happy, productive lives. The cycle of child abuse can be broken when we heal ourselves and learn how to help others recover. Ms. Brand is both an experienced counselor and a resilient survivor of maternal sexual abuse.

**Legislative Update** 

<u>Child Interview Amendments:</u>
What the Changes Mean for You and Your Work

Craig L. Barlow, Chief, Children's Justice Division, AG's Office

In the 2014 session, the Legislature amended the statute governing child interviews conducted at Children's Justice Centers. Under the new law, recordings can be shared among specified agencies and used for training purposes; parents can make a request of an investigative agency to view an interview, with some exceptions; and unauthorized distribution or display of a CJC recording or transcript is a Class B misdemeanor. Mr. Barlow will outline the changes and their impact on CJCs and investigative agencies.

10:30 am - 10:45 am

Break

#### 10:45 am - 12:15 pm

#### **Breakout Session 6**

1) Christina Sally and Matthew Bates
Bernese Exhibit Hall

Inside the Mind of a 'Newborn Care Specialist,' Nanny, Serial Child Abuser

State of Utah vs. Aubrey Alta Anderson / Summit County Attorney's Office

This workshop will explore the investigative challenges, medical determinations, collaborative efforts with multiple agencies and multi-disciplinary strategies, including international relations regarding a serial child abuser and "nanny." This workshop includes discussion of investigative processes and examines the obstacles of a concurrent international prosecution with the United States prosecution.

2) Kristen Howell
Matterhorn Ballroom

The Impact of Domestic Violence on Kids

(Repeat – See Session Description in BO5)

3) James Anderst

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Davos

Investigative – Medical Collaboration in Cases of Possible Child Abuse: The Good, The Bad and the Ugly

Effective multi-disciplinary team collaboration is necessary to achieve best outcomes in the evaluation of

Effective multi-disciplinary team collaboration is necessary to achieve best outcomes in the evaluation of suspected child abuse. This session will review failures and successes of investigative-medical collaboration using actual case examples. Attendees will learn how to avoid mishaps in collaborating with medical providers and how to work more effectively with the medical system.

4) Bruce Herman, MD

Abusive Head Trauma

Grindelwald

This session will review the epidemiology, biomechanics and pathophysiology, clinical findings, and differential diagnosis of Abusive Head Trauma. Also discussed will be the challenges in the recognition and accurate diagnosis of Abusive Head Trauma.

5) Christopher Anderson Interlaken

Hope, Healing and Support: The Elements of Recovery for Male Survivors

There are many areas where efforts to help survivors of abuse and trauma fall short. Resources are scarce and far too many victims are unable to access the limited resources that are available. This presentation seeks to introduce therapists and other allies in healing to a new paradigm for viewing recovery from the many forms of trauma and abuse. Efforts to help victims of all forms of trauma are often focused on alleviation of immediate symptoms and/or risk reduction in the moment. These approaches can provide short-term improvement, but often fail to approach healing from a holistic point of view.

6) Joseph Osmond, Randy Austin, Jason Beutler, and Peter Schofield

Bishop's Help Line: The LDS Church's Response to Child Abuse

The LDS Church provides a 1-800 help line for LDS clergy when they learn about child abuse. The helpline is is meant to facilitate reports to authorities, protect children and prevent further abuse. This training explains the help line processes and procedures.

7) Lorianne Szendre and Anna Rossi Neuchatel Victim / Witness Court Preparation

This presentation takes a holistic approach to preparing victims and witnesses to participate in court hearings and the court process, including testifying, providing victim impact statements, and speaking at sentencings. It will provide useful tools and strategies to use to support victims for all professionals in the criminal justice system including victim advocates, law enforcement, first responders, prosecutors and other members of our multidisciplinary teams.

12:15 pm – 1:00 pm

Adjourn and the Distribution of Continuing Education Certificates

Available at the Symposium Registration Table at the **conclusion** of the Symposium.

Special Session 12:45 pm – 3:15 pm

CJC Directors and Staff (only) (Lunch will be provided)

### Thank you for attending the

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